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Applicants: Patrick O. Brown and  
Tidhar Dari Shalon

Serial No.: Not yet assigned

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For: Method For Determining the Relative  
Abundances of Polynucleotide  
Sequences

§ Group Art Unit: 1634

§ Examiner: Ardin Marschel

§ Attorney Docket: STFD:009--1

§ (Continuing application of Serial No.  
§ 08/688,488, filed July 30, 1996)

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**REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION APPLICATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

This is a request for filing a continuation application under Rule 53(b) (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b))  
of co-pending prior application Serial No. 08/688,488 filed July 30, 1996, entitled "Method For  
Determining the Relative Abundances of Polynucleotide Sequences", which is a continuation-in-  
part of application Serial No. 08/514,875 filed August 14, 1995, which is a continuation-in-part of

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application Serial No. 08/477,809 filed June 7, 1995, now U.S. patent No. 5,807,522, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/261,388 filed June 17, 1994, now abandoned.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application Serial No. 08/688,488 as originally filed, including specification, claims, drawings, and declaration. The undersigned hereby verifies that the enclosed papers are a true copy of the prior application as originally filed and identified above, that no amendments (if any) referred to in the declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein, and further that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon. The inventorship is the same as prior Application Serial No. 08/688,488.
2. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,764.00 to cover the filing fee as calculated below and the fee for any new claims added in the Preliminary Amendment referred to in Clause No. 7 below.

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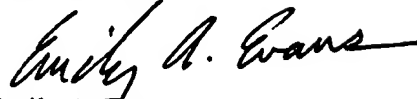
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Basic Fee .....				\$ 760.00
Total Claims	57 - 20 =	37 X	\$ 18.00 =	\$ 666.00
Independent Claims	4 - 3 =	1 X	\$ 78.00 =	\$ 78.00
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3. Applicants are **not** entitled to Small Entity Status for this application.
4. If the check referred to in paragraph 2, above, is missing or insufficient, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 which may be required for any reason relating to this document, or credit any overpayment, to Arnold White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/STFD/EVE.
5. Enclosed is a copy of the current Power of Attorney, dated October 10, 1996, in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Associate Power of Attorney for the above-identified application.

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7. The prior application is presently assigned to The Board of Trustees of the Leland Stanford Junior University. The assignment was recorded on October 16, 1996 at reel 8208, frame 0821. A copy is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.
8. Enclosed is a preliminary amendment. Any additional fees incurred by this amendment are included in the check at Clause No. 2 above and said fee has been calculated after calculation of claims and after amendment of claims by the preliminary amendment.
9. An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed, with attached Form PTO-1449 and copies of cited art required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98.
10. The order for the names of inventors of the instant application is as follows: Patrick O. Brown; Tidhar Dari Shalon. Enclosed is a copy of a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 To Change Order of Names Of Inventors, dated January 6, 1997, as filed in the parent application, and the Order granting the petition, dated December 15, 1997.

11. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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